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In the Specification:

Please amend the specification, without prejudice, as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In some cases, however, it can be advantageous if the process according to the invention provides that the color black is formed or formed together with at least one toner layer that has a carbon black portion of less than 2% (by weight), preferably noticeably less than 2% (by weight). As a function of specially used carbon black, low carbon black concentrations of this type still do not act in an especially disadvantageous manner on the absorption properties, but they can produce advantages in regard to the color saturation.